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Application of:	Swain <i>et al.</i>	Confirmation No.:	9609
Application No.:	10/647,071	Art Unit:	1639
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For:	HAPTEN-CARRIER CONJUGATES FOR USE IN DRUG-ABUSE THERAPY AND METHODS FOR PREPARATION OF SAME	Attorney Docket No.:	11662-003-999

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants thank Examiner Amber Steele for the courtesy she extended during the telephonic interview of July 1, 2009 with Applicants' representatives Dr. Jacqueline Benn and Dr. Eric Lee regarding the Amendment filed June 11, 2009 in response to the previous Office Action, mailed April 6, 2009.

During the interview, the claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,054,127 were discussed. Examiner Steele indicated that the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, filed June 11, 2009 in six counterparts, was sufficient to overcome the rejections of claims 125, 126, 128, 131-138, and 142 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

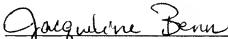
The claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over U.S. Patent No. 6,164,504 to Walling *et al.* and U.S. Patent No. 5,601,831 to Green *et al.* were also discussed. Examiner Steele indicated that the status of the claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 was still undetermined.

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Reply to Office Communication dated June 2, 2009

It is estimated that no additional fee is necessary for filing this Amendment. In the event an additional fee is required, please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

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